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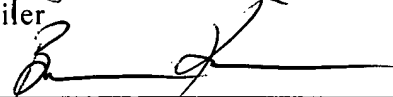
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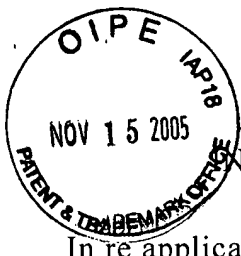
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In response to the August 25, 2005 Final Office Action, the period for response to which extends until November 25, 2005, the applicants respectfully request that the Examiner enter the following amendments and reconsider the pending rejection in view of the below response.

AMENDMENTS to the claims begin on page 2;

Remarks begin on page 4.